

We need to follow the lead of the international community and eliminate the hard requirement for a morse code examination as a requirement to gain access to HF bands. Morse code is no longer used as an international means of communication; key service agencies do not require radio technicians to "know code" so they can respond to "SOS calls". In short, this is an outdated mode of operation. Should we keep the "code only" bands and encourage code use? Absolutely! The same bands can share space with digital modes. However, code testing requirement should be eliminated for all amateur license class